

## House Resolution No. 415

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high regard those Show-Me State labor organizations which have diligently sought to enhance workplace conditions and productivity by developing true cooperative relationships between employers and employees; and

**Whereas**, the Craftsman Independent Union of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, was founded on February 18, 1983, based on the philosophy of the union and the employer working together; and

**Whereas**, in the twenty years which have elapsed since 1983, the Craftsman Independent Union has demonstrated time and time again that its approach to employee-employer relations represents a new movement in labor concepts; and

**Whereas**, founded by Fred D. "Nook" Kelley of Cape Girardeau, the Craftsman Independent Union is justifiably proud of its twenty-year-long service to member craftsmen and their communities; and

**Whereas**, the Craftsman Independent Union continues to be led by President Fred Kelley who diligently works to protect the organization's interests and to govern its members astutely and fairly; and

**Whereas**, in the past two decades, the Craftsman Independent Union has developed and maintained a stellar record of no strikes, no walk-offs, and no work slowdowns at sites located throughout Missouri, in different states, and overseas; and

**Whereas**, the flawless record of leadership and cooperation garnered by the Craftsman Independent Union has won the support of the communities and the companies in which its members serve; and

**Whereas**, Craftsman Independent Union is unique by design, has no delimited jurisdiction, and provides craftsmen ready to take on virtually any and all positions found at a construction project:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the splendid history and groundbreaking accomplishments of the Craftsman Independent Union and to convey to its leadership and members this legislative body's heartiest best wishes for many more years of continued success to come; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the Craftsman Independent Union of Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Jason G. Crowell  
Majority Floor Leader  
District No. 158

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 415, adopted February 18, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker